

Amendments to the Claims:

A listing of the entire set of pending claims (including amendments to the claims, if any) is submitted herewith per 37 CFR 1.121. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A method for identifying a first digital data sequence, comprising:

calculating a first digital fingerprint based on at least part of the first sequence,

comparing the first fingerprint with at least a plurality of second fingerprint fingerprints respectively associated with at least a plurality of second digital data sequence sequences,

depending on a result of the comparison if multiple second fingerprints are matched that meet a predefined proximity criterion with the first fingerprint, calculating a digital watermark associated with the first data sequence and comparing the calculated digital watermark with a watermark-watermarks respectively associated with the matched second digital data sequence-sequences in order to establish an identity of the first digital data sequence.

2. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein calculating the digital watermark associated with the first data sequence is dependent on information contained in the first fingerprint.

3. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein calculating the digital watermark associated with the first data sequence is dependent on information resulting from the comparison between the first fingerprint and the plurality of second fingerprintfingertips.

4. (Currently amended) A system for identifying a first digital data sequence, comprising:

a processor for calculating a first digital fingerprint based on at least part of the first sequence, comparing the first fingerprint with ~~at least a plurality of second fingerprint fingerprints respectively associated with at least a plurality of second digital data sequence sequences, and depending on a result of the comparison if multiple second fingerprints are matched that meet a predefined proximity criterion with the first fingerprint, calculating a digital watermark associated with the first data sequence and comparing the calculated digital watermark with a watermark watermarks respectively associated with the matched second digital data sequence sequences~~ in order to establish an identity of the first digital data sequence.

5. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 4, wherein calculating the digital watermark associated with the first data sequence is dependent on information contained in the first fingerprint.

6. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 4, wherein calculating the digital watermark associated with the first data sequence is dependent on information resulting from the comparison between the first fingerprint and the ~~plurality of second fingerprint fingerprints~~.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently amended) A method for enabling identification of a first digital data sequence, comprising:

calculating a first digital fingerprint based on at least part of the first sequence,

comparing the first fingerprint with ~~at least a plurality of second fingerprint fingerprints respectively associated with at least a plurality of second digital data sequence sequences~~,

~~depending on a result of the comparison if multiple second fingerprints are matched that meet a predefined proximity criterion with the first fingerprint,~~

calculating a digital watermark associated with the first data sequence and
comparing the calculated digital watermark with a watermark watermarks
respectively associated with the matched second digital data sequence sequences
in order to provide information enabling identification of the first data sequence.

9. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 8, wherein calculating the digital watermark associated with the first data sequence is dependent on information contained in the first fingerprint.

10. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 8, wherein calculating the digital watermark associated with the first data sequence is dependent on information resulting from the comparison between the first fingerprint and the plurality of second fingerprintfingerprints.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)